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WE CAN DO WITHOUT A PRIME MINISTER



BUT NOT FIREMEN!

The Peoples Press have been following the firemen's strike with interest and have extended solidarity to the firemen as we do all workers struggles!

The gutter press have been reporting fires ad nauseum and telling their readers how gallant the Army have been - what they have not been saying is how the firemen are being harassed by the police and the Social Security. Here is a brief account of what the firemen have been up against since they went on strike.

Firstly, the firemen have been harassed by the Department of Health And Social Security. The firemen, most of whom have never previously been in a position of claiming Social Security were approached by the Claimants Union which was in a position to give the information that the S.S.

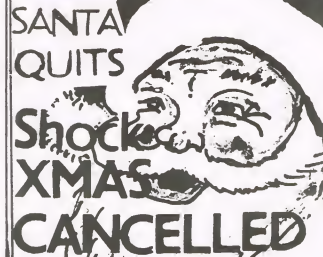
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DOWN & OUT xmas

The season of merriement & Goodwill between humanity. Well, so the Christmas ideology would have us all believe !

Fine sentiments but what a contrast with actual reality ! Take the homeless for instance, 'the march of progress' isn't exactly knocking on their 'doorstep'. This Xmas the down-an-out population is as large as ever & yet State provision is as inadequate as ever.

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GLASGOW PEOPLES PRESS exists to provide a real alternative to the establishment Press in the West of Scotland.

We aim to report honestly on the forces that shape our lives, both at home and at work. We intend to expose the real problems faced by working men and women, and to publicise the activities of those trying to do something constructive to help themselves.

We at the G.P.P. will assist those in struggle in a positive manner, by providing the use of duplicators, typewriters, publicists, newsletters and, where possible, advice and financial donation.

Although we are prepared to offer our assistance, we are not interested in attempting to control or to takeover peoples' struggles. People should take full control over their own lives and make

AS WE SEE IT...



decisions without outside interference.

G.P.P. will also be keeping a close watch on the political situation (both nationally and locally). So N.P.s, councillors, political parties, and all in authority-BEWARE! We are out to expose you!

What do we at G.P.P. stand for? Well, we are for independent action and decision making by all participants, whether in tenants' struggles, fares, workplace, school, college struggles, or whether against Consumer Society and its' supermarkets and 'entertainment' etc. We are keen for others to join us if in agreement with our general outlook.

Above all, G.P.P. is YOUR platform to air YOUR views, and to say what YOU really want about your own experiences. So let's be hearing from you.



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MUTINIES: 1917-20. By Dave Lamb. (Solidarity 50p)

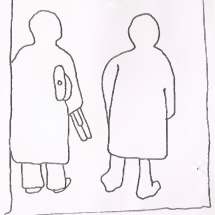
This carefully researched pamphlet continues Solidarity's consistent attempts to generalise the experience of 'all those who are in conflict with the present authoritarian social structure, both in industry and society at large'. (As We See It). Libertarians often distrust the idea of militancy in the armed and police forces, ignoring the fact that they are recruited from the working class and that the divisions within them between order-givers and order-takers are class divisions. They sometimes confuse opposition to the organisation with opposition to its rank and file. It is a mistake one would not expect of libertarians. Working for a revolution with no vanguard or central command, and one that does not reproduce the organisation of the bourgeois state, they depend more on the disaffection, soralisation and fraternalism of the armed forces than do the Leninists.

MUTINIES: 1917-1920
Dave Lamb

OF THE MONTH

need to be stimulated. The teacher should lead from the front, with belt in hand if need be. Not a right wing view as it got me my 11+. It did not produce a bunch of

ALL THIS FREEDOM HASN'T PRESENTED ME WITH ANY DISCIPLINE PROBLEMS.



illiterates. Yours.

H. Stewart.
P.S. Your 3rd issue is better. 1 & 2 were sheer rubbish, even pornographic in content.

13 Ladyloan Place.
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14-11-77

(Ed, this letter reproduced exactly as we received it).

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The teacher or 'trainer' who wrote that article should come and live in Drumchapel for a time. CHRIST the whole idea of education is to mold the kids into what the teachers want the kids to do. Not the other way round. The 3 R's are being neglected too much nowadays by many pseudo intellectual teachers. Kids are bored they

More than one hundred women from the Essex International factory in Kilwinning, Ayrshire, have been told they are NOT to get the payrise promised to them at the end of their sixteen week strike in September. They have also been told that if they strike again the factory will be closed.

The women who staged an 8 week strike followed by a 8 week SIT-IN at the factory for higher wages in September ENDED their action after the company agreed to raise wages with a view to parity with wage levels in Londonderry, northern Ireland. For the same job the women over the water had been receiving up to £8 a week extra.

The rise was due to take effect on October 5th. In return the women had agreed to accept work-timing a work sheets. The company was also due to introduce a bonus system designed to stimulate "efficiency".

Several women spoke of conditions but fear of dismissal meant that they had to remain anonymous. High unemployment in the area means the company has a pool of labour to draw from. "We have gained nothing from the strike, the only wage increase we have had is the 10% government increase which we would have got anyway. The management denies ever agreeing to the other increase. We have also been told our efficiency must increase from 24-50% before any bonus system will take effect."

mutinies—ctd.

The ruling class realised the reliability of the troops was crucial. Dave Lamb suggests that the Bolshevik military success was largely due to the disaffection of the troops sent to attack them. At Seleokoe and Archangel, counterrevolutionary forces refused to fight.

It is over-optimistic to believe that all mutinies are essentially libertarian. More important than the casting down of old structures is the character of the new organisation thrown up. Although many soldiers and sailors formed councils, other risings were diffuse expressions of anger—for example, the riot of ex-servicemen in Luton in which the town hall was burnt down. But Mutinies demonstrates that the 'impossible' can happen. As Dave Lamb puts it, 'the armed forces can themselves become a source of revolutionary activity giving expression to libertarian demands.' □ Marshal Coleman

INVESTIGATE @alternative publications such as "MUTINIES" write o/o SOURCE INFORMATION SERVICE (see p.2) to 'S.L.F.' for booklist.

WOMEN HELD TO RANSOM

"We were going to strike again when we realised we had been conned, but we were told if we did the plant would be closed. We now have a professional Security Firm on 24 hour guard in the factory, we must sign in, and out!"

A.U.E.W. engineering union official Bill Aitken told a GPP reporter: "This paydeal was made in good faith, I feel the conduct of the Essex International management confirms my opinion that they are the worst

employers I have met in my entire career."

Essex International are not strangers to industrial disputes. This year, strikes have occurred in Cleveland (Ohio), Hillsdale (Ontario) & elsewhere. Probably the worst is still running in Elwood, USA, where a 24 year old woman was shot in the back and is now partly paralysed, her husband shot in the head while on picket duty. In the same dispute, Georgia Ellis, a union spokesperson was beaten up in her home and some strikers have been hit by company cars while picketing sandi



The Essex International Sit-in during the summer.

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SMILE ON YER LIPS AN'
SONG IN YER HEART!

Zero 4 November/December 77



NOEL MURRAY sentenced to life imprisonment.

Last December Dublin's Supreme Court squashed the death sentence imposed by the Special Criminal Court on Noel and Marie Murray. Noel was given life imprisonment and Marie put to trial for capital murder, again in the juryless special criminal court. This May that trial took place and Marie is now serving life imprisonment for murder - the capital charge not being proved. This is after months of imprisonment, much of it in the death cell, and several 'trials'.

The 'evidence' against the Murrays would be laughable but for the seriousness of the charges and the intention of the state. They have been tortured, illegally held and isolated not only from their supporters but from access to lawyers. When the court does not require the prosecution to offer any real evidence, when the three state appointed judges are jury as well, when the press is silent - what kind of defence is possible? From the moment of arrest their enemies had found

The Murrays are still fighting; the release of Ronan Senon has shown that the state can't win every time, so too has the failure of the original death sentence. Marie is appealing her sentence and Noel is charging the gardai for assault. But what are we doing? A few defence groups remain and they seek to carry on their campaign. We know there are many serving long terms in jail, more and more all the time, what makes the Murrays so special? Our answer to that question is simply - the Murrays are not special - we began campaigning for the Murrays and we have not won yet so we continue.

social hierarchy -- and ensuring that they accept the need for competition, hierarchy and authority. Such a system demands that the majority of children -- and adults -- are made to feel inferior. Academic examinations are a meaningless measure of a person's potential for playing a useful role in society.

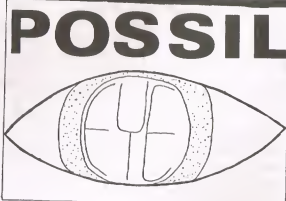
The Libertarian Education Association opposes the examination system.

Most schools are mainly concerned with sorting and grading children for their future roles in the

LIBERTARIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION/magazine (30p)
7 CRESSWELL WALK, CORBY, NORTHANTS.

STOP PRESS...STOP PRESS...STOP PRESS...STOP PRESS...
WE HAVE JUST HEARD THAT COUNCILLOR HARLEY (Regional Councillor), HAS BEEN POLITICALLY MURDERED BY A GROUP OF LOCAL CONSPIRATORS BY STABBING IN THE BACK. THE GROUP ARE NOW GROOMING A LOCAL CELEBRITY TO TAKE HARLEY'S PLACE. MORE OF THIS FASCINATING STORY IN NEXT MONTHS G.P.P. PLUS A REAL EYE OPENER ON WHAT REALLY HAPPENS BEHIND THE DOORS OF THE HIGH LIVING POSSIL FOLK.

STAR PERFORMER



POSSILPARKS STAR PERFORMER COUNCILLOR INNES, at least that's the way it would appear from his latest article in the local paper the POSSIL POST!

Involved in everything from a bus service that he supports (and that half the locals do not want anyone) to the so called Community Care Group. However some local people are angry about his article because he claims to have been the leading figure in certain issues that he had hardly anything to do with! Naughty, naughty Councillor... as if that's not bad enough he appears to be pandering after the local catholic votes by stating an anti-abortion campaign, however the odds are that he'll soon drop that political hot potatoe judging from local comments... anti-social tenants also appear to annoy the Councillor. He appears to think that they should be tied up in a nice wet parcel and dumped somewhere and forgotten about - if he does this he will lose half the tenants in Possil including most of the so called local dog-owners, who are more anti-social than some anti-social tenants. If you like a good read by the local Possil Post, easily one of the best community newspapers in Glasgow - then you should

them guilty. The death sentences would have been quietly carried off, but for a defence campaign starting in Dublin and spreading world wide.

But what happens now? Are we to accept the state's revenge? People were prepared to fight the death sentence - it is so final and barbaric. But is life imprisonment so much better; is the revenge of the state any less barbaric when they draw it out week by week, month by month, year by year, decade by decade? Is torture by gardai any better when it results in life imprisonment instead of death? Is the special criminal court suddenly acceptable to us? Of course not!

A conference organised by Strathclyde Community Relations Council last week discussed the problem facing a lot many people as a result of the British Immigration Law.

M. Akram, Community Relations Officer and co-author of a recent report on the working of the Immigration Control System 'APPEAL DISPERSED' (published by Runnymede Trust) introduced the conference and outlined the present system of control.

Wives and children of men already settled in this country have a right in law to come here BUT in 1969, Jim 'Call Me Moses' Callaghan, then Home Secretary, introduced a system designed, he said, to keep delays to a minimum. Anyone wishing to come to the U.K. would first have to obtain an Entry Certificate from a British Government Office in their country of origin.

Notwithstanding that such a journey to an office can sometimes take days of travelling under extreme conditions (as Akram testified to) but waiting periods for interviews are now in some cases up to 3 1/2 years. So much for Callaghan reducing the delays.

Applicants for certificates are then confronted by the entry clearance officers who have assumed the role of determining whether or not the applicant is 'genuine'. Questions, often of a very personal nature, are put to the wife and any children in an effort to solicit differences in replies. These will be treated as 'evidence' that the applicant is not a genuine one and the case will be turned down. In the conclusive survey mentioned

STATE DIVIDE for FAMILIES



above, Akram & his co-worker, Jan Elliot, found that 55 out of the 58 cases they examined - cases which were rejected by the entry clearance officers - were undoubtedly genuine. Any conflicts of evidence could be quite easily explained by language difficulty. Officers or their interpreters were often unable to speak the applicants language or dialect - or by some misunderstanding, a misunderstanding aggravated by the officers' racist attitudes.

Appeals against refusal of a certificate are now possible but must be undertaken by the applicants sponsor in this country and are heard by the adjudicator, in Scotland the now infamous L.W.D. Aitchison. While Aitchison has achieved some notoriety in recent weeks, as adjudicators go he is probably only the thin end of the wedge. Their decisions & accompanying racist remarks are hair-raising but Aitchison is probably only more explicit - 3 exiled Chileans he described as 'Communist agitators' before lushing into an attack on Clydebank workers for threatening to refuse to build ships for Chile's fascist government; another applicant was a 'complete and unmitigated liar'; if Asian wives were permitted to come here 'Britain will become the Du-thin of the world' he uttered on another occasion. 5

COUNCILLORS SABOTAGE PUBLIC MEETING in Gorbals.

We reported in last months GPP on a fight to stop the Language Centre in the GORBALS (not Govan as we incorrectly stated in GPP 3) being made into an island in a sea of dangerous and noisy traffic.

We announced a public meeting with the traffic commission. Many people turned up for this meeting, representatives of the local community, the staff of the school, and the parents and children of the Centre.

Several of the parents and teachers travelled considerable distances to attend the meeting, but when they arrived they were told that the Councillors had not turned up.

The headmistress of the Centre was only told on the day of the meeting that the Councillors had taken it on themselves to scrap it. New evidence was to be presented to the Councillors conclusively proving that the noise level in the school was ALREADY unacceptable and the re-opening of Tradeston st. would only make it worse.

A petition was also to be presented demonstrating the unanimous public condemnation of the scheme. The people who turned up to the meeting refused to accept the sabotage and went ahead regardless.

Amongst other things, they produced a strong protest at the calous indifference shown by the councillors. Part of this protest read: "WE FEEL THAT THE TREATMENT WE HAVE RECEIVED IS INDICATIVE OF THE GENERAL DISREGARD THE COUNCIL HAS SHOWN TOWARDS THE SUBSTANTIAL PUBLIC OPPOSITION TO THIS TRAFFIC SCHEME. THE CANCELLATION OF THIS MEETING IS THE MOST RECENT DEVELOPMENT IN AN 18 MONTH HISTORY OF COUNCIL INEPTITUDE"

The campaign to oust Aitchison grows and if unsuccessful will no doubt give many people a great deal of satisfaction. BUT THERE WILL BE OTHERS TO TAKE HIS PLACE. The present SYSTEM of immigration control ensures the continuance of the worst form of racism, that which is BUILT INTO THE STATE. Ever since the early 1960's immigration law has been consistently racist in its application & its content. Aitchison must go but this alone won't alleviate the assault on human dignity that is the system of immigration control.

FROM 'ANARCHY' 23

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should have provided - subsequently, the firemen have formed their own claimants strike committees.

The Claimants Union advised the firemen of their right under the Supplementary Benefits Act 1976, which basically are:-

1. HEAT AND RATES PAID IN FULL; OR
2. MORTGAGE INTEREST AND INSURANCE PREMIUMS WILL BE PAID BY THE S.S.
3. H.P. REPAYMENTS FOR ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS PAID IN FULL.
4. HEATING ALLOWANCES AND ADDITIONS.
5. MILK TOKENS FOR KIDS UNDER 5.
6. FREE SCHOOL MEALS.
7. PLUS EMERGENCY NEEDS PAYMENTS FOR ESSENTIALS.

Section 4 of the Supplementary Benefit Act states that "NOTHING SHALL PREVENT THE PAYMENT OF SUPPLEMENTARY

RENTARY BENEFIT IN URGENT CASES". However, individual managers have been refusing to interview firemen, claiming under this section, and in one case the firemen are taking legal advice. According to Law, i.e. Sup. Benefits (General) Regulations 1977 (1213) "Where determination concerned relates to the making of, or the refusal to make a cash payment in respect of benefit other than a pension, the notice required by paragraph(2) may be given to the claimant orally unless he requests that it BE IN WRITING".

The whole point is that the firemen have been refused a decision in writing - which puts the S.S. in breach of their own regulations.

The Claimants Unions will be meeting with the G.H.S.S. union reps from the Civil and Public Servants Association and we will report on that meeting in the next issue of the G.P.P.

IF THE OHSS IS MAKING AN ATTEMPT TO STARVE THE FIREMEN BACK TO WORK THEN WE WILL HAVE TO LOOK TO OTHER TACTICS TO WIN THE BENEFITS WHICH ARE OUR RIGHT BY LAW.

Secondly, the police have been harassing the firemen who have been collecting for the strike fund. This is obviously a directive from Callaghans 'dirty tricks dept' and one that has left the firemen with a dirty taste in their mouth. Public sympathy is with the firemen and £30,000 has been collected in the first three weeks of the strike in Strathclyde alone.

So, we say "CALLAGHAN, CALL OFF YOUR BOOT BOYS - GIVE THE FIREMEN THE MONEY WHICH FIVE COMMISSIONS SINCE 1966 SAID THEY ARE ENTITLED TO, IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCEPTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY, CEASE YOUR PHILIP-HEADED ATTITUDE NOW!!!"



THE FIREMEN'S STRIKE

The Fire Brigades Union and its members greatly regret any hardship or inconvenience caused to the public during this dispute. The decision to strike was not taken lightly, and it is hoped that the facts contained in this leaflet will in some way help you to understand why this action was deemed necessary.

THE FACTS

Firemen work a 48 hour week on a two shift system of 10 hour dayshifts and 14 hour nightshifts. During dayshift, firemen clean, test and maintain all items of their equipment. Training exercises are done daily to ensure the men's peak physical fitness and efficiency, and their complete familiarity with the fire-fighting and rescue equipment.

Firemen also undertake the inspection, testing and maintenance of fire hydrants, and the inspection of offices, factories and shops to ensure their fire safety.

The Fire Service is the only properly trained and equipped emergency service. On joining the Fire Service, a fireman undergoes a rigorous 4 month basic training course, followed by a 4 year apprenticeship! The work he does is often exhausting, hazardous and emotionally harrowing.

He can expect to be on work on Christmas Day, New Year's Day, New Year's Eve and all other Public Holidays, no shift allowance, no rent allowance, and there is no optional overtime.

SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED

WHY ARE FIREMEN PUTTING LIVES AT RISK BY STRIKING?

In all fairness this question should be aimed at the Government. Since 1966, 5 reports on Fire Service pay and conditions have been commissioned by the Government. In each case the Government has shelved these reports. In effect, "Wait till next year." The latest report was published in September this year, and the Government has had from then to decide on a just settlement. Once again, the matter has been thrust aside. In the meantime, the firemen's standard has plummeted, possibly faster than that of any other member of the community.

BUT 10% IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

This is not strictly true, awards have been made in excess of that figure. In any case the 10% 'rule' is not statutory; it is only a guideline. But above all, as a result of their low wages, many firemen and their wives qualify for rent and rate rebates, free school meals, etc., and a 10% increase could leave many of them actually worse off. There are ways by which the Government could meet out claim without damaging the guideline.

EVEN SO, ISN'T 30% AN EXCESSIVE CLAIM?

30% of a Prime Minister's wage is a great deal more than 30% of a fireman's. This figure will bring a fireman's wage up to the National average stated by the Government, with a plus factor of 10% for skills and hazards involved. So it is only an average wage we want.

WHY NOT SETTLE FOR 10% AND A REDUCTION IN HOURS?

A reduction in hours from a 48 to a 42 hour week is a totally separate issue which has been in the melting pot for many years. Our claim based on the assumption that a 42 hour week will be forthcoming in the near future. Besides, a reduction in hours won't feed the families.

Our strike is now entering its third week and since the Fire Brigades Union, never having anticipated the necessity for an industrial action to secure a decent living wage, has no Strike Fund, we are relying on the moral and financial support of the public to sustain us.

Any donations would be most welcome and should be sent to Mr. A. Bell, F.B.U. Strike Treasurer, T.U. Centre, 81 Carlton Place, Glasgow, or handed in at your local Fire Station.

A Firemen's leaflet - IN THEIR OWN WORDS", their own case.

JACK OF ALL TRADES

The Firemen are now into the third week of their strike and their resolve has been strengthened by the harassment that they

have received indirectly from the Government. Let's have a look at the job a Fireman has to do and the wage he gets for it....

A fireman's training is rigorous, after completing an intensive four months basic training he has to serve a four year apprenticeship when he will learn the pertinent aspects of following trades:- electrician, plumber, joiner, gasfitter, engineer, metalurgist, chemist, and medic, not to mention expert in use of the highly sophisticated fire

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It is left to voluntary groups such as The SIMON Community to cope as best as they can. The cold spell in late November has already resulted in 5 deaths, (on the street, not including old folk who are victims of hypothermia).

Only the other month Strathclyde Regional Council admitted they had carried implementation of OJTS a little too far, yet The Simon Community, based in Renfrew St. & the Talbot Association, based in the Gorbals are faced with the prospect of having to shift their centres as the buildings decay due to inadequate upkeep.

The Simon Community had received notice that they would have to move out by December 30th but this has been set aside for the moment. Unofficial reports that the Community, which 'puts up' over 30 men at present, has been offered the Old Milton St. School but no definite decisions have materialised to date.

The Talbot Association is lobbying the District Council for the use of the Kingston Halls in Govan Rd. which could accommodate the hundred or so men who turn up from the streets at present. There are many more, women included, sleeping rough in Glasgow, especially in the 'inner city' circle of urban devastation.

Extra expenses such as a faulty roof, gas delayed plans that the Simon Community has for a Womens Hostel.

fighting equipment. A fireman's lot is not the glamorous hype portrayed in the children's books, each time he is called out to a fire he knows that it is a deadly serious business. He is bracing himself for what he expects to find when he gets there. It doesn't need a great deal of imagination to know how it feels to be startled out of a deep sleep with bells ringing and lights flashing.

Firemen are trained to enter blazing buildings, rescue the occupants and to minimise the damage to property. It is ironical that this very ethic is being used against the firemen because they have been forced to take strike action. Five reports on firemen's wages and



Both voluntary groups are in constant need of active volunteers & the GPP extends its solidarity to those who try and bring hope to victims of the

However, this is precisely the situation. Coping with the 'symptoms' of hierarchical society is 'nt breaking the new ground necessary in the struggle to create realistic alternatives to relationships between order-takers & order-givers. Alternatives which 1978 could usher in - with your help !

Patronised

What can we make of the series of 3 programmes the B.B.C. screened on behalf of Kay Carmichael, famous east-end snooper ?

The tenants have quite rightly reacted against being projected as human guinea pigs & for certain, the most telling moment of the series happened right at the end of the show. Then the chairman of the Tenants Association emotionally attacked the atmosphere of patronism which had been rampant throughout the documentaries & the attitude of Authority throughout the

whole affair. We'll put it right OURSELVES actually meant something coming from a Lilybank tenant as opposed to the devious stage-performance of Mr. Carmichael. All the fine words of Sir William Gray, 'Supplementary benefits chairman' Dommon & the rest about 'rehabilitating the deprived East End' could be seen in their true light. NOTHING MORE THAN A PROPAGANDA EXERCISE - BUREAUCRACY WITH A 'HUMAN FACE' - GRAP WHICH THE WORKING PEOPLE OF GLASGOW HAVE PUT UP WITH FOR GENERATIONS !

too long !

conditions have been produced since 1966, and each have been ignored! This is a despicable situation and when we look at the plain fact that a 10 per cent settlement would leave many men no better off; when you deduct their rent and rates allowances there isn't a great deal left to talk about. The last Report on firemen's pay under Lord McCarthy stated that they should get 10 percent PLUS £18 - so how about it, cough up the money and let the firemen get back to the job that the Army can't handle. And bye the way will Lord Provost Hodge and his cronies be going to fire stations after the strike at . lay on some crates of bevy for the firemen ???



The adventure playground was started 18 months ago by two girls from the area working on it in their spare time. Since then the humble beginnings of the playground and youth club have become a distinct feature of Maryhill, with kids coming from as far away as Pannure St. in Westercommon, to enjoy the limited facilities which the club provides.

Margaritha Harris is one of the 2 full-time workers from the project & also co-founder of the scheme with Katy Ross. The criterion of success is simply the enjoyment that the kids get from it, this plus the fact that it has given the kids of Maryhill a centre to meet and get together, a place where they don't have to bother about being moved on by the police or by irate neighbours.

The scheme welcomes volunteers to come along & help in any way at all. Local folk are particularly important to the future of the project and it is often felt by the workers that if they would become involved in what was happening they would see other possibilities for making Maryhill a better place to live. One example of this is that some folk have said that the adventure playground is an eyesore - that's as may be, but that could be rectified in a weekend with paintbrushes & willing hands.

The policy of the association is self-help and the project must be given full marks on that score. The club itself is a model for others, the kids have their own written laws and there is little need for the constant supervision which is witnessed in other youth clubs. This is largely because the kids and the adults are on the same wavelength. Other youth clubs should take a page out of what is happening at Queen's Cross, Maryhill.

THREE PEOPLE SPENT AN EVENING TALKING TOGETHER

The British Official Secrets Act is the most effective law to stop the disclosure of official information in the Western world. Originally passed during a spate of spy hysteria before World War II, it has since been used most often to silence civil servants and severely punish leakages to the press.

ABC: The Basic Issues

The main evidence against Aubrey, Berry and Campbell is that they discussed one evening last February. At no time has any of that conversation been published or divulged.

There is no suggestion that any of the three were remotely involved in spying. Since when have spies been allowed bail?

There is a close connection between this case and the deportations of Mark Hosenball and Philip Agee.

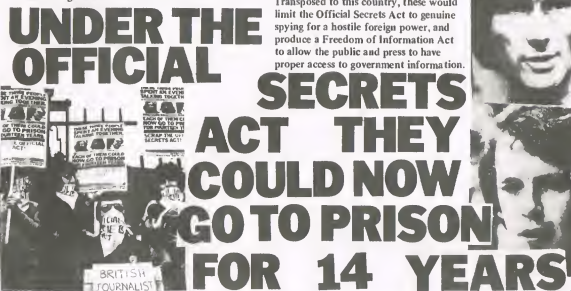
The ABC case is not just about the freedom of the press, but the right of the British public to know how their taxes are spent. The charges are an attempt to inhibit investigative journalism and stifle informed comment on activities which are not the subject of parliamentary scrutiny.

The present Labour government's proposals, to be published soon as an Official Information Bill, are unlikely to improve the situation, however.

Whilst Section Two will be replaced by the new law, the Official Secrets Act will remain in force - with no guarantee it will only apply to foreign espionage. All information relating to defence, internal security, the police and foreign affairs will be covered. Civil

servants will still be subject to dismissal or debarment if they 'leak' information. Even with the new law, ABC could still be prosecuted. Indeed the whole purpose of reforming Section 2 has been entirely undermined by the parallel use of Section 1 and Section 3 against Berry and Campbell.

Laws already exist in the United States and Sweden which would considerably improve the British situation. Transposed to this country, these would limit the Official Secrets Act to genuine spying for a hostile foreign power, and produce a Freedom of Information Act to allow the public and press to have proper access to government information.



GRYPs youth counselling service

GRYPs - the young peoples information and counselling service is now operating a drop-in service as well as its well known phone-in service. At the moment the service operates on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, and on Saturday afternoon. However, in the new year Gryps plans to operate a full time service. To make this possible Gryps now have two full time workers to keep things running smoothly. The bulk of the work however is still carried out by Gryps mixed band of volunteers.

Gryps services are available to all young people who need help or advice. Gryps provides information on such areas as family and personal relationships, sexual problems, family planning, accommodation, going to London, basic information on jobs and other community services. Gryps has in the past helped many young people with problems in the areas of unemployment, drug or solvent abuse, violence or vandalism, etc. Gryps does not claim to solve everybody's problems at the wave of a magic wand, what they will do however is listen and offer practical down-to-earth advice and if possible help.

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In 1970 the profits from the sale of drugs to the National Health Service were over £30 million. The profits have been bigger each year. The greatest growth area is in psychiatric drugs. In 1970 alone 47.2 million prescriptions were written for these drugs at a cost of £21.5 million.

80% of these drugs were LIBRIUM? VALIUM, MOGODAN, and MANDRAK.

Patients are given these drugs on repeat prescriptions often without even seeing a doctor. The long term side effects are never monitored. One result of this neglect is that 400,000, people in Britain are being prescribed barbiturates which cause severe addiction.

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It costs 20p to make 1000 tablets of Librium. They are sold to the NHS for £10 a 100.

Drug companies argue that their profits go back into research. WE KNOW BETTER..... In 1971 Beechams spent only

£4 million out of its £13.4 million profits on research.

Glaxo spent £5 million out of its £22 million, yet interestingly enough Beechams gave £20,000 to the Conservative Party this year.

Much profit goes on advertising, this costs £300 a year for every doctor in the country - total cost £30 million a year.

One survey showed that out of 45 adverts, 22 contained unwarranted claims and glossed over or did not mention side effects. The drug companies take up our doctors time convincing them about their products. They sell drugs like encyclopaedias. Their interest is not in their patient but their profits - but we remember the side effects of Thalidomide, which was a psychiatric drug.

Many similar drugs are untested and there is no attempt to monitor effects.

CLAIMANTS UNION FIGHT TO LIVE!

DROP THAT PILL!

Do you know what psychiatric drugs can do to you? Because you may not be aware of some of the side effects of your treatment, the CLAIMANTS UNION have produced this list of the most commonly used drugs and their side effects. Don't be fooled into thinking that they are the symptoms of YOUR illness, they are the symptoms of THEIR treatment. This list is from official sources - if you suffer other effects let us know and we will add them to the list for the next time.

MODICATE: Depression (sometimes suicide), tremor of the hands.
LARGACTIL: Jaundice, extreme drowsiness, dizziness, constipation, mouth dryness, low blood pressure when standing, rapid pulse, skin pallor, blurring of vision, skin rash, nose stiffness, weight gain, sunburn, lactation, absence of menstruation, restlessness, stelazine

STELAZINE Tremor of the hands, spasm of neck muscles, rigidity of the back, drowsiness, sweating, nasal congestion, spasm in hands or feet, eye movements, contraction of jaw muscles, difficulty in swallowing, blurring of vision.
LIBRIUM Unsteadiness of movement, drowsiness, nausea, constipation.
AVERTIL Constipation, dizzy spells, restlessness, confusion.
TRYPTIZOL DROWSINESS?

TRYPTIZOL Drowsiness, dizziness, nausea, excitement, tremor, headache, hypertension, sweating, loss of appetite, skin rash, heartburn, numbness of limbs, reduced concentration, dry mouth, blurred vision, constipation, activates SCHIZOPHRENIA.

SARIN Low blood pressure when standing, tremor of the hands.
MAJEPTIL Protrusion of the tongue, back, shallow rapid heartbeat, excessive sweating, excessive salivation, shallow breathing,



agitation, anxiety, rigidity of muscles.
FENTAZIN Tremor of hands, jaundice, rigidity of muscles.
TOLANATE Fatigue, vertigo, low blood pressure, when standing.
DARTANAL Muscular rigidity, restlessness, tremor of hands.
SERENACE/HALOPERIDOL RESTLESSNESS, drowsiness, sleeplessness, increased salivation, sweating, skin pallor, muscular spasms, difficulty in swallowing, stuttering, skin rash.
MODITEN Impaired movement, muscular rigidity.
TARACTAN Dry mouth, drowsiness, vertigo, rapid pulse, hypertension.
MELLERIL A dry mouth, drowsiness, dizziness, faintness, nasal stuffiness, tremor of hands, impairment of sexuality, lactation, absence of menstruation, disturbance of vision.
SERPASIL/RESERINE Depression, hypertension, nightmares, visual disturbances, nasal congestion.
TOPIRENIL / IMPRAMINE Dry mouth, visual disturbance, sweating, skin rash, tremor, rapid pulse rate, excitement.
NARDIL Nausea, vomiting, drowsiness, headache, unsteadiness, constipation, jaundice.
MARLAN Hypertension, dizziness, vertigo, constipation, overactivity, insomnia, dry mouth, blurred vision, skin rash.
PARNATE Insomnia, dizziness, headache, drowsiness, weakness, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, hypertension, dry mouth.
DRAZINE Headache, giddiness, hypertension, impotence, liver disorder.
EQUANIL Drowsiness.
LITHIUM Lack of concentration, tiredness, memory failure.

Untested, experimental, psychiatric drugs are used daily on patients in mental hospitals and can be used there without their permission.

They have no legal right to refuse treatment. How much longer are we going to allow the sick and disabled to be used as HUMAN GUINEA PIGS?

new FROM Over the Water Sunday, Orkney. review

This is supposed to be an objective appreciation of the latest Glasgow Press Anarchist Review (Vol. 1, No. 3, £2.00 + 30p p/p, A4, 136pp, perfect bound with spine), but you probably won't think so. I find that the development of this publication is incredible. In the course of three issues it has probably become the most important forum of Anarchist thought and criticism in the world. The range of subjects it covers and the quality of their treatment is excellent. In fact there is even more in this issue to get your teeth into and set your mind ticking over (to scramble a metaphor or two), than there was in the last (more than twice as much, in fact). Also the improvement in layout is a big step forward, and this is very important considering the vast wealth of material it contains. The contents include Chomsky's *Objectivity and Liberal Scholarship*, *Arms and the Roman*, a major look at Ferre's life and work, a history of Anarchism in Bulgaria, Anarcho-Feminism, Ricardo Flores Magon, the Masnikov Memorandum, Objections to Anarchism, Anarchism and Freemasonry... I could go on and on, but it's up to you to get your order in now and see for yourself how important and essential this review is for libertarian thought.



Additional information on Special Branch attempts to recruit student of Paisley College, Robert Macneill. The only political meeting he has attended (a few days before) was given by a Claimants Union activist to the libertarian group.

'7 DAYS' in the life of a Labour Party hack. Murderer happened to your 'radical' GLASGOW NEWS past McKay & Barr? Then you listed alongside as absurdities, the rhetoric of all Parties (LAB/SH/CON/LIB/OT/RF...)

arson

We don't have definite proof, indeed we would not have suspected had it not been for the following 'coincidence' (Nov. 21st) A FIRE broke out in St. George St., Hill-head in a disused Building (which

had before been a refuge for battered wives & their kids) & the "green goddess" were called in to arrest the blaze before it spread to the adjoining close which is inhabited by squatters & their kids.

Those directly concerned were watching the fire being tackled when 4 men appeared who said they were the "anti-strike committee" & supported the National Front. They tried to stir things up with the squatters - calling them "lefties" before they disappeared from the scene.

A local resident told the GPF that Nazi slogans had recently appeared chalked on a few walls in the area & the whole incident is something which they haven't treated lightly. Over the past few years, there has been a certain amount of antipathy between local snobs & the squatters who have prevented indirectly more buildings decaying at the hands of the owner - Glasgow University.

New acts to worry about for the homeless (so much for a Labour government). The Housing (Homeless Persons) Act 1977 removes the responsibility from Social Work departments to Housing Authorities in respect to giving shelter for homeless & destitute people. (see page 7 & contact SCGL). In addition, the life of squatter in England will come more difficult when the Criminal Law Amendment Act brings them in line with Scotland, where SQUATTING is already a criminal as opposed to civil offence.

THE FUHRER

HERBERT TINDLEREED IS A FUNNY NAME



BUT IF HERBERT HAS HIS WAY, NOBODY WOULD DARE TO LAUGH...

OH YES, HERBERT TINDLEREED HAS SOME POWERFUL URGES...



HERBERT, YOU SEE, IS IN TRAINING TO BE DICTATOR OF BRITAIN



...WHICH AFFECT HIM DEEPLY



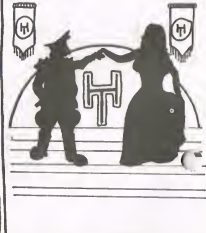
NO, NOBODY WOULD LAUGH AT HIM THEN



BUT HERBERT IS HAPPY NOW



AND THE GIRL NEXT DOOR WITH THE BIG TITS JUST COULDN'T REFUSE TO GO OUT WITH HIM



THE NATIONAL FRONT HAVE NOMINATED HERBERT AS THEIR CANDIDATE IN THE LOCAL BY-ELECTION



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Community control

NIGHTLIFE

THIRD EYE CENTRE

The Third Eye Centre will be closed between 24th December and 5th January.

Folk/Rock band NEW CELESTE will be returning to Glasgow fresh from triumph in Holland when they play at the Centre on the evening of 17th Dec. Tickets are 80p.

Larry Herman's exhibition of Photographs, CLYDESIDE 1944-76, will continue to be on display at the centre until January 15th.

Sculptures by Malcolm Butts, who teaches at the Glasgow Art School, will be on display until January 15th.



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PLATFORM has decided to continue its Jazz at the Saints' into January, in light of the support that the series has received from the public.

Details of the forthcoming concerts will be announced shortly, and can be obtained from Sandy Muir (041/226/3324). There are also plans to present another series of Jazz Film Live Jazz sessions at the Glasgow Film Theatre. The first of these will be on Tuesday January 31st, and the series will continue for four weeks on Tuesday evenings.

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Maryhill, Castlemilk POSSIL c/o
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BUNGALOWS FOR THE BOYS?

A suspected 'fiddle' by prominent Labour and Communist Party members has resulted in a row involving Yoker Tenant's Association and the Housing Department.

The Tenant's Association claim that newly modernised bungalows have been allocated on the basis of party membership. Enquiries at Clive House have met with silence. Now the affair is to be taken up by Duncan McLean, the radical S.N.P. councillor. In an interview with GPP, Mr. McLean named Mr. and Mrs. D. McKenzie, (who have stood for the Communist Party in Knightswood and Blairdardie respectively) of 22 Glen Crescent.

Also named were Pat Owens and her husband, of 26 Glen Crescent, and Mr. George Labram, of nearby Hawick Street. All are Labour Party members. Mrs. Owens and Mr. Labram are involved in the Community Council, set up after local government reorganisation. The bungalows, in Glen Crescent and Hawick St., near the boundary with Clydebank, were built in the 1920's and modernised only two years ago.

This latest tale will do the Housing Department's image no good.



Duncan McLean

Glasgow people no doubt remember that, not so long ago, a Mrs Cantley was disowned by the Labour Party for 'string pulling' for her son-in-law. A nod and a wink in the right direction can work wonders it seems, and jumping the housing queue is nothing new.

Meanwhile, as we go to press, GPP is investigating a similar case in Giffnock, where 'high amenity' flats are said to accommodate a number of Labour Party activists.



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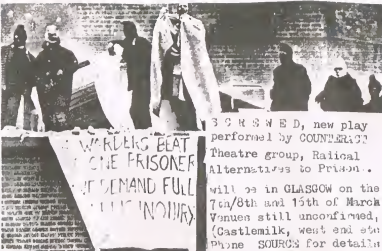
We aim to report honestly on the forces that shape our lives, both at home and at work. We intend to expose the real problems faced by working men and women, and to publicise the activities of those trying to do something constructive to help themselves.

G.P.P. will also be keeping a close watch on the political situation (both nationally and locally). So N.P.s, councillors, political parties, and all in authority-bodies: We are out to expose you.

We are keen for others to join us if in agreement with our general outlook.

Above all, G.P.P. is YOUR platform to air YOUR views, and to say what YOU really want about your own experiences. So let's be hearing from you.

SUDS Drama centre, 126 Inverness St., MURDOCH ST 4-0000, Cecil Taylor play performed by POOD 4000-0000, 21st, 25th February. Followed by DR. Faustus on the 21st-11th March.



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"EVERYONE SUPPORTS THE FIREMEN," SAID LORRAINE.

One of the most exciting things about the firemen's strikewas the tremendous public support for their cause - despite the media's efforts to discredit them.

This picture shows ten year old, Lorraine, demonstrating her support for the firemen. She saved all her pennies for weeks to make a donation of £1.

It wasn't the biggest donation the firemen received, but not many people gave everything they had.

Lorraine told us, "Everyone in my class supports the firemen - after all they save people's lives."



Wed, 8th Feb. at 7.40 : UNIONS AGAINST WORKERS ?

Wed, 22nd Feb. at 7.40 : AFTER THE PLANNING ?

Wed, 8th March COUNCILS (Shades Sources for Rain)

Wed, 22nd March - not yet finalised, 31/3/78 FOR WOMEN in textile factory revolt, 40/41 LONG FIRM.

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In Partickburgh Halls, off Dunbarton Rd - ROOM 10 For 3000 Libertarian discussion circles 9th and 22nd February.

FEEL FREE to join us !



DING-A-LING CON.

There are thieves and thieves in Rue Hill.

The Break-And-Entry-Boys can be dealt with by an efficient alarm system, but what about the people who sell them?

Our investigations show that the alarms which are presently being sold door-to-door in the Ruchill area are virtually useless.

The cost price of the alarm components - £2. The price to you - £25.

THE ANGRY SHEEP.

Glasgow NUS and local Student Councils have been accused of cooperating with the police in order to break up the annual anti-cuts march into insignificant sections of 200 to 300.

"We are supposed to be protestors showing our solidarity against the cuts," said a trainee teacher. "But the police and the stewards treat us like sheep."

Jordanhill SRC admitted cooperating with the police, but said that this year they would be negotiating to have the march split into sections of 1,000. It will probably be split in three places.

THERE IS GOLD UNDERGROUND.

The modernised Underground is expected to open on time, May 1979.

It is a long time to wait, but it will be worth it. Of course the service will not be extended much, but it will be all shiny and nice.

It had better be - it will cost us at least £32 million.

MIND YER LANGUAGE CENTRE.

A back-room deal between the District Council, the Education Department and the Planning Department makes it almost certain that the Kingston Traffic Scheme will be implemented, despite fierce public opposition.

If the proposed traffic scheme goes ahead, then teaching in the nearby language centre will become virtually impossible.

The public hearing which looked into the complaints was a masterful display of official manipulation.

The Planning Department falsely claimed that they had no choice, other than to route the main flow of traffic round the school.

Mr Grey, of the Education Department did not comment on a survey which suggested that the noise level in the school was already unacceptable. He told us that the Education Department would only look into the noise problem after the traffic scheme had been implemented.



UNIVERSITY VANDALS.

Glasgow University, that haven of high aesthetic appreciation, will be demolishing Lilybank Gardens - a prime example of Scottish architecture at its peak.

Most of the houses have been left empty for more than 3 years, to be ravaged by vandals, the elements and the university's Works department.

Lilybank will be left as a gap sight until the university can afford to turn it once more into a beauty spot. They will eventually build a car park.

At present, only militant squatters prevent the march of progress. They have been repairing and maintaining the buildings in a bid to keep them habitable.

PERKS FOR NUM LEADER.

Miners' President, Joe Gormley, has joined the board of British Investment Trust.

His fellow financiers on the board include James Cowan, the Scottish Area Director for the NCB and Trevor Thomas, also of the Coal Board.

The miners' Pension Fund was used to buy an 80% share in the company, at a cost of £75 million.

Mr Gormley's director's fee has not been decided yet.

Orpheus In Limbo

Grey Shadows
Within a Grey Place.
Full of the "Darned"
But.....
Not The Dead.
No, all these "Poor Souls"
Are living....
No... Existing.
One does not live
In Limbo,
Merely Exists.

So, When He came in,
So obviously Alive

Well....
He should have known.

THEY would be hostile.

"Your Card!
Name!
Address!
Date of Birth!
You'll get your Giro at the next counter.
Next!"
That's it....
Over.
So, Why the feeling of RAPE?

WILLIAM S. NISBET



UNION REVOLT.

Shipyards workers at Scott-Lithgow's, Port Glasgow, have threatened to tear up their Union Cards. They are angry at the Unions' attempt to sit on their claim for parity with workers on the Upper Clyde. There is a differential of £15-20.

The threat of revolt followed the failure of the Unions to call a mass meeting where the men could argue their case.

The Unions are suspected of postponing a visit by the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, ACAS, in order to gain time in which to quell the revolt.



PRISONS ARE POINTLESS

The aim of Radical Alternatives to Prison (RAP) is the abolition of prison. Prison is a destructive and discriminating institution. The vast majority of prisoners come from a background of deprivation; low income, bad housing and poor education. Prison does nothing to help them to break out of this environment but rather confines and traps them within it.

Although RAP began by advocating alternatives to prison we no longer see them as a complete solution. We have seen too many schemes being used as a form of control, based on the same values and punitive assumptions that underpin the prison system. The stated aim of prison is to deter people from breaking the law and to rehabilitate those who do so, neither aim ever has been, or ever will be, fulfilled. The prison population continues to rise, crime is increasing and recidivism rates remain high. Imprisonment can only increase rather than decrease the possibility of a person re-offending. By isolating the individual from family, friends and community, withholding basic human rights and denying him responsibility, prison degrades and stigmatises, inflicting wounds which seldom heal.

RAP realises that abolition at a stroke is hardly likely and therefore campaigns for immediate changes which do not simply ameliorate the lot of the prisoner but are positive steps towards the removal of prisons from our society. We campaign against legislation and attitudes which feed the prison system, we make the hidden facts known, thereby educating and changing public opinion, which is the group's role. In the past we have campaigned against the rebuilding of Holloway, which reflected the shifting categorisation of 'criminals' from wrongdoers to sick people. RAP played a leading part in the campaign for the closure of the control units—a regime of sensory deprivation aimed at breaking those prisoners who fought against the injustices they encountered in prison. We accepted as one of the groups whose views on penal topics are sought. We have been partly responsible for the current trend towards alternatives to prison and more recently in making people question whether prison is justified at all, at least for certain offences.

Over the next two years RAP will be focussing and campaigning on four particular issues which will highlight the prejudice involved in deciding who should be incarcerated in prison and what happens to those who end up there. In the autumn, together with the NCCL, we will publish a pamphlet which will reveal the secrecy covering our entire prison system, making the prisoner and the injustices and inhuman treatment he receives from the public eye. Later in the year RAP will turn to the problem of the 'Young Offender'. Building on our earlier work in this area, we will be calling for a complete change of values in 'dealing' with young people, based on a respect for their rights and needs, as opposed to hauling them up before the courts when they react against the spiral of deprivation within which many of them are trapped. Together with PROK, the National Prisoners Movement, we will be calling attention to the growing use of drugs in our prisons for the purposes of control and behaviour modification. We will also turn our attention to the 'Dangerous Offender', pointing out how society differentiates between one kind of danger (personal) and another (social) and locating the causes and solutions to this problem in society itself rather than the courts and the penal system.

To carry out the work we have set ourselves, we need an income of £25,000 over the next two years. We believe that RAP is an essential part of the penal lobby. If you agree please give us your support. We have set ourselves the target of expanding our membership to 1,000 (presently 400) by the end of this year, thereby strengthening our voice and facilitating fundraising.

Radical Alternatives to Prison, 15 Blackfriars Lane, London EC4

Report of a Committee of Inquiry into a dispute between employees of the Darley Park Mills Company Limited, Beckley and their employer.

'OUR OWN PEOPLE' REVIEW

OUR OWN PEOPLE is a very difficult play to write about. The plot is complex and there are none of the crude paste-board characters which we see all too often in political plays.

The backdrop of the play is a Public Hearing which is investigating a strike by Asian textile workers. A triangle of conflict unfolds between the Asian Strike Committee, the Union and the Management.

The main dispute, in the first act is between the strikers and the Union. The dialogue reveals how the 'proper' Union procedure is totally at odds with the reality of day to day shop-floor struggle and direct action. For example, individual racist remarks may be too petty for formal complaints, but taken altogether they build into a picture of consistent racial prejudice.

The climax of the First Act is the revelation that one of the shop stewards is in the National Front.

The National Front steward, played by Crissie Cotterill, is one of the most interesting characters in the play—a lonely, confused woman who can't understand a world that is falling apart around her. The Front offers her companionship and the comfort of a simple dogma.

As it transpires the management has done a deal with the white workers to bar the Asians from promotion. The charges against the union of racial discrimination are proven.

But a final twist is still to come. The management goes back on its deal and promotes two Asians.

Why the change of heart? What are the bosses up to? Wait for it....

It is all a plot by the management to get an all male workforce, before the Sex Discrimination legislation is introduced. They wanted to get rid of both white and brown women.

The message becomes clear (at last). When you come right down to it, OUR OWN PEOPLE are the working class who have to resist the attempts of the bosses to divide and rule.

'Powerless' caravan owners face eviction

Over 60 people, including a dozen young children, expectant mothers and two women who have recently given birth, have now been without electricity for over five months and now face eviction from their homes by the end of March.

Residents of the West End Caravan Site in Bellshill had their electricity supply disconnected by the SSEB for non-payment. The only problem was—they had paid all their bills regularly.

In June 1977 the site residents

having tried without success to contact the owners, East Castle Investments, a company based in the Isle of Man, informed the owners agent, Walker Munro, a local solicitor that they were withholding rent until certain essential repairs were carried out, bringing the site up to standard. Since 24th June the rent has been paid into the Residents Association bank account. The electricity, however, continued to be paid in the usual way.

On the site each mobile home has its own electricity meter which is read each week by the Site Manager—at least it was until the supply was discontinued. The owners of the caravans then paid their elec-



tricity individually to the manager on top of their rent and this was noted in their rent books. This money was then to be forwarded to Munro for settlement of the account with the South of Scotland Electricity Board.

At the end of August 1977 the SSEB informed the residents that the supply was to be cut off for non-payment. A total of £950 was claimed to be owing. What happened to this money none of the caravan owners know for sure—they certainly have their suspicions but what we do know is that many people are having to struggle through winter on paraffin heaters and calor gas stoves.

It should be possible for the supply to be reconnected directly to the residents since it is not

they who are in debt to the SSEB but the Board now say they cannot reconnect the supply until the site is reviewed at an approximate cost—to someone—of £15,000. Appeals to the site owners and their agents, to the local council and the local MP, Jim Hamilton, have all been fruitless. The residents have now contacted the Scottish Council for Civil Liberties who are currently studying the matter.

Meanwhile the caravan owners and their families continue to freeze and an end to the affair is hard to see. It is further complicated by the fact that it appears that the council want everyone off the site by the end of March—they plan to 'redevelop' it into a play park—and the owners and their agents seem content to play out their time.

STUDENT PAPER ATTACKED

STRATHCLYDE TELEGRAPH the student paper of Strathclyde University, recently survived a threat to its existence.

On Tuesday 17th January, they received word from their printers, T. Bunce of Arbroath, that, following action instigated by the print union, S.O.G.A.T., their paper had been blacked.

The reason given was that TELEGRAPH was using non-unionised labour to layout and typeset the paper. Previously there had been an agreement with the National Union of Students which allowed for non-unionised exceptions to the usual closed shop rule. However Strathclyde voted to leave N.U.S. last year.

Telegraph

Ronnie Scott, Interim Director of Communications, stated on the 18th January that he was "disappointed that a non-profit making paper is having its' existence' threatened". At the time he was pessimistic about the paper's likely survival and speculates that SOGAT could instigate further action against voluntary community papers.

Similar 'blackings' moves against 'Feedback' paper at Paisley College of Technology and Dundee University student paper came to be dropped when it was pointed out that these institutions were still in N.U.S.

Within the next week, however, the situation has changed at Strathclyde. A solution was agreed with SOGAT whereby the 'Telegraph's' typesetter would become unionised (thus gaining a significant wage rise and a part-time lay-out artist, employed two days a fortnight).

This decision taken by the Student executive is not without its financial strings. The price of the paper is to go up by 2p to 7p (providing students council ratifies the decision). If sales stay the same an extra £50 a year could come in. However this is only 10% of the additional costs and taking into account the fact that TELEGRAPH is heavily subsidised by advertising revenue, students are getting their paper at an artificial price.

DARNLEY ANGER GROWS

An "eruption" of Community feeling in Darnley is on the cards unless there is a marked improvement in the Council upkeep of the incompletely constructed estate.

Mr. Pat Donnelly of the Darnley Action Group blamed the Council for neglecting repair work, condensation, general amenities. The Regional study of MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (see the article below) lists Darnley as one of its 45 areas. Mr. Donnelly stated that this ties in with the Council's attitude, which seems to be bent on ensuring that Darnley becomes an instant slum.

The modern consumer idea of 'built-in obsolescence' is O.K. if it is a car or some other electrical gadget, but in the case of a housing estate all sort of problems spring up.

From the outset, the estate has been rife with condensation. The Action Group carried out a complete survey of the area, which led in turn to Mr. Roy Henderson, Deputy Director of Building inspecting the situation.

Action will be expected from the Council- immediately!

The state of general "disrepair" is also a sore point among Darnley tenants. The estate has been allowed to "run down and become the start of a slum", as Mr. Donnelly put it. In turn, with the tenants feeling like "they're banging their head against a brick wall", many "become apathetic" and so a vicious circle begins.

This was exactly the sort of problem that reports on MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION have highlighted. However the truth of the matter is, report or no report, the Council are repeating all their own mistakes, and it is Community Solidarity that suffers.

On the question of amenities, the tenants are also beginning to fight collectively. The original plans for the estate, including the projected 'G' site, hang in the balance. Amenities such as a community centre, library, nursery etc. have failed to materialise. Even the shopping centre is less than half full.

As the Council is now unlikely to build a community centre, the tenants have gone ahead and drawn up their own plans for a social club centre. The building would be financed by the breweries.

However, the Estates Dept. of the Council are effectively trying to block the tenants' application for a piece of waste ground.

A Darnley Action Group has been formed to campaign for the reinstatement of the site. Mr. Pat Donnelly, 10/1 Glenelg, Darnley.

multiple deprivation.

This attempts so-called 'progressive' forward planning by specialists who will ensure a more integrated assault on all the cases of bad planning that have gone before - high rise flats being a recent example.

While many of the reports appear impressive and very convincing in their analysis of how the cards are stacked against working people in Clydeside, the real test comes when they are put into practice.

The Department are asking for a Sliding-Scale of Rent, Rising from £3000 in the first year to £4500 and £7500 the following years. The tenants see this as completely unreasonable in the light of the Council's failure to provide the Community Centre in the original plans.

Clubs for the over-sixties, youths and karate enthusiasts are presently making do in less than perfect circumstances.

On the issue of the library, the tenants have again had to go it alone. They have set up their own self-managed community library.

Council Nursery provisions also compare badly with the initial promises. Instead of a nursery school, they have a nursery class as an annex to the primary school. A comprehensive survey carried out by the Action Group has revealed a definite need for a more extensive provision.

The Job Creation Community Worker, who operates from the Community Flat is also not going to be replaced.



The Action Group are holding a special meeting on the 6th of February at 7.30 in the Primary School.

Darnley, of course, shouldn't have to be in the position of competing for council resources with other estates. The tenants have demonstrated that they are not ready to become victims of Council neglect.

Large-scale projects such as in Priesthill, Maryhill and the more publicised East end renewal programme will be coming under the critical appraisal of the G.P.P. in the near future.

ONE THING IS SURE, despite all the fine rhetoric and promises of money being redirected back into these areas, you can be certain that it will be eaten up by business men and the provision of more government control.

After all, it is not in their interests for people to assert any real control over their own lives.

April 2nd FARES RISE AGAIN

You could almost hear the groans of dismay from Glasgow people when it was announced that the fares were to go up again.

From 19p to 20p.
From 26p to 28p
(No change in the transcard.)

What is the Passenger Transport Executive up to. If the Fares go up any more then only executives will be able to afford to travel on the buses.

BAD DEAL

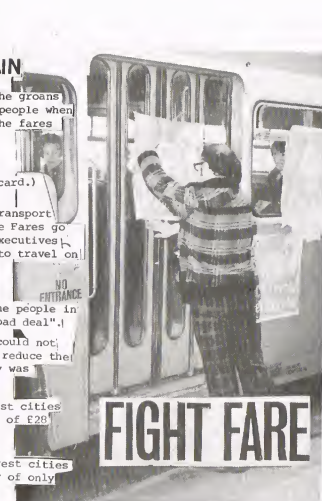
The PTE admitted that the people in the schemes had got a "bad deal". They told us that they could not increase the service or reduce the fares unless the subsidy was increased.

London, one of the richest cities in Europe, got a subsidy of £28 million last year.

Glasgow, one of the poorest cities in Europe, got a subsidy of only £2.5 million.

The buses get about 1/3 of the subsidy (10 million this year), but none of this is used directly to keep the fares low. Some of it is used for the OAP and Juvenile subsidies and the rest is used to pay of old debts.

The Unions claim that the debt was accumulated by bad management and overspending on the executive level - too many chiefs and not enough indians.



Closing and maintaining Bridgeton Garage is supposed to have cost £60,000. The plush new premises in Bath St cost £71,000 - totally unnecessary.

Dozens of new executive posts were created last year. The PTE claim that their administration has improved as a result. Try telling that to someone who has been waiting half an hour for a bus on a cold morning.

The PTE knows very well that everytime they put the fares up fewer people use the buses and the amount of Fare dodging increases.

They have mounted a publicity campaign aimed at scaring people into paying the full fare.

FREE BUSES

We asked the PTE what they thought of Free bus service.

They told us it would not be viable as too many people would want to use the buses and they could not afford the extra buses - despite a government subsidy of £15,000 per bus.

FAIR FARES,

The Fair Fares Campaign are trying to gather evidence to present to the public hearing on Wednesday, March 22.

Anyone with information or who wishes to help contact them through THE SOURCE INFORMATION SERVICE.

Never too late to Learn !

In today's world the ideology of competition and individualism has had profound effects on the treatment of people for whom the ageing process is well advanced. Unless they are 'well healed', middle-class beneficiaries of the system, the coming of old age brings problems on two levels. There is the persistent worry of bodily comfort, trying to cope financially and health-wise with stresses brought on by inadequate community care. Equally important, however, there is the question of what to do with the time that retirement bequeaths.

The Workers Educational Association is offering a service as an aid to stimulating educational interest in the aged members of the community.

Starting from the basic 'Living in Retirement' introductory course, follow-up courses concentrate on History, Current Affairs and other subjects of general interest. There is an informal liaison with Glasgow

Retirement Council which operates a pre-retirement scheme.

The W.E.A. is run on a self-organised basis as far as all these courses are concerned. The service is primarily educational and the social activities are a by-product of OAPs coming together. This contrast which is evident when you look at the practice of such groups as Age Concern, who operate out of community centres and often church's, - a network of clubs which are more disposed to distributing tea than offering experience.

In the past 'Brains Trusts' run get an entertainment in the clubs have generally failed to carry on.

The W.E.A. also involves itself in Adult Literacy work (especially significant in the Kilmarnock and Argyll areas) and also Health and Safety courses for shop-stewards on a day-release basis. Funding is in

in the form of anorganisational grant from the Region's Education Department, which also pays the fees of tutors. By establishing courses in 45 of the listed 'multiple deprivation' areas, the association qualifies for fees exemptions. Exemptions also apply for OAPs coming together. This contrast which is evident when you look at the practice of such groups as Age Concern, who operate out of community centres and often church's, - a network of clubs which are more disposed to distributing tea than offering experience.

In areas like Rutherglen, with enrollments for courses reaching the 200 mark each week, the W.E.A. plays a very important role in making life a continuous educational experience. For details of your local W.E.A. activities,

you should get in touch with Alison West at the office: Tel-332.0176.

WEA



MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION is one of the key words in the Strathclyde Region. What it means, in fact, is that one thing after another is being under provided by the authorities.

In the past they tended to try and convince individuals that it was all their fault, but this doesn't go down too well in the world today. Instead, plans for a 'CORPORATE APPROACH' are drawn up by the all powerful region.

Current Research
Community Initiatives
Surveys
Involving the Public
Participation at Different Levels of Planning
How the Cards are Stacked Against Working People in Clydeside
The Real Test Comes When They are Put into Practice

POWER - OR LIBERTY?

On Friday November 4th, the enquiry into British Nuclear Fuel's application to build a £660m. reprocessing plant at Windscale in Cumbria finally closed.

B.N.F.L., a company wholly owned by the Atomic Energy Authority, argued that the new plant is necessary to reprocess a backlog of spent fuel stored at Windscale, and vital if Britain isn't to be left out of the competition for foreign reprocessing orders.

It is an integral part of A.E.A.'s vision of the future: supplying plutonium to fast-breeder reactors, which, it claims, are the only way to forestall the "energy gap" due to occur around the end of the century.

Opponents of the application fear that, if it is successful, subsequent attempts to halt the Fast Breeder will be less effective. The most powerful voice raised in opposition came from the *Friends of the Earth*, who realistically contented themselves with challenging B.N.F.L.'s economic assumptions and energy calculations, and pointed out that the problems of waste management, and weapons proliferation were unsolved and probably insoluble.

However, in spite of their efforts, and those of the other objectors, it seems likely that Mr. Justice Parker will recommend the go-ahead for the project in his decision.

ASSURANCE

At the start of the enquiry he ruled out evidence on the desirability of a Fast Breeder programme in anticipation of an assurance, since given, by the Dept. of the Environment, that there will be some sort of an enquiry when the first application for a Fast Breeder is received.

This ruled out consideration of the safeguarding of civil liberty in a plutonium, etc., on the grounds that these will be dealt with at the future enquiry. But will they?

As the counsel for the National Council for Civil Liberties said in his closing speech: Plutonium could never be made safe, only "relatively safe by infringement of civil liberties. The severity of these infringements will be determined by the extent of security measures deemed necessary in the future- and by definition the public cannot be allowed to know the details of these security measures. So, inquiry or no inquiry, it seems



Barring leaks, radioactive wastes from the reprocessing plant at Windscale are kept in these storage tanks until their radioactivity is deemed to be at an acceptable level.

that we will be asked to accept the Fast Breeder on trust.

INFRINGEMENTS

We can, however, look at some of the measures thought to be necessary to protect our current embryonic Fast Breeder programme, and try to get a general picture of a future society dependant on Fast Breeders and Plutonium, and in which theft and malicious use of plutonium, sabotage, of nuclear plants, and disruption of electricity supplies would amount to a major disaster.

At present there is a strict embargo on information relating to movement of Plutonium in the U.K. on grounds of National Security. Parliamentary questions on the subject aren't answered. The existing mechanisms for suppression of information (like the Official Secrets Act and P- notices) could probably be stretched to include an ever-widening definition of National Security. Already a national newspaper has been threatened because of an article relating to construction work at Windscale.

The present system of 'positive vetting' (investigation of the political affiliations and friends, and surveillance) of most staff at AEA establishments would almost certainly have to be extended to Central Electricity Generating Board employees who have access to information on storage and transport of plutonium. This would involve tens of thousands of workers and their families. And the vettings are secret. A nuclear worker failing one would find it difficult to get work.

The number of people employed in the Security Services (M15 and the Special Branch) isn't known, but it would have to increase dramatically to cope with worker surveillance.

STRIKE

The right to strike is likely to be withdrawn from nuclear workers in a society which couldn't allow shut-down of its energy supplies for fear of the consequences. A seven week strike at Windscale last summer was broken, following veiled threats of the use of troops. It is unlikely that Trade Union Safety Representatives would be allowed access to safety information or details of hazards and accidents if these disclosures were deemed against "national security". Surveillance of political and environmentalist groups would also be increased.

POLICE

The AEA has its' own police force, which currently numbers around 400 men, who mainly guard the four main AEA/BNFL installations (Harwell, Winfrith, Dounreay, and Windscale). At current estimates, by the year 2005, Britain will have 50 Fast Breeders and Thermal Reactors. If 50 police per institution are assumed, this gives a figure of 5000 police. They are allowed to carry automatic weapons, to engage in "hot pursuit" (without search warrants?) and to arrest on suspicion. The Home Secretary has a very indirect responsibility for their actions.

To forestall nuclear terrorism, the civil police force may be allowed general search warrants and powers of forced evacuation of a large area. The Flowers Report also foresees possible restrictions on the right of free assembly and suspension of Habeas Corpus.

In cases of persons suspected of terrorism (who can of course already be held without trial under the Prevention of Terrorism Act), the temptation to obtain forced information

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HOW DO WHOLEFOOD SHOPS TRY TO ALTER THE SITUATION?

The individual collectives aim to sell nutritious and unadulterated food, with minimum mark-up, selling in bulk whenever possible (thus encouraging the setting up of self help co-operatives) and reducing packaging to a minimum. They aim at direct cooperation of all involved, both workers and consumers. This results in personal service to the customer and equality within the shop, as each worker is an equal in respect of wages, decisions and job rotation. THE NEXT STEP In 1977, four shops in Scotland (Aberdeen, Glasgow, Dundee, and Glasgow Group (Barnhill, Stockport) in

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would be great in the face of threats of nuclear sabotage. The technique of Sensory Deprivation practiced in Northern Ireland and condemned as "inhuman" by the European Court of Human Rights, was defended in the darker majority report as being necessary for this kind of threat. A government which used them in this kind of emergency would have considerable public sympathy.

We believe that bodies such as SCRAM (Scottish Campaign to Resist the Atomic Menace, 2a Ainslie Place, Edinburgh 3) should be supported in their opposition to the further development of nuclear power on the grounds that a commitment to a plutonium society is an irrevocable decision for ourselves and future generations who either find new energy sources or decide that they can make do with less energy will still be left with lethal waste and the absolute necessity of safeguarding it as best they can.

We in the U.K. are in danger of taking the first steps in ensuring that surveillance, repression and centralised power become necessary features of society rather than, as at present, mere choices.

Fort William, and Grassroots in Glasgow) began to see wholefood shops as part of a wider movement rather than as answerable only to themselves and their customers. On getting together to bulk-buy, they found that this had already happened in the North of England, in the form of the Northern Wholefood Collective.

But they also found a marked difference between the shops in England and those in Scotland due to the fact that shops in Scotland tended to be more conventional in style, as their customers represented a wider range of the general public.

With the Northern Wholefood Collective beginning to regionalise, the Scottish collectives saw no point in directly joining them. Instead they decided to set up their own regional warehouse, thus forming the Scottish Wholefood Collective. At present, they are negotiating warehouse in Glasgow, and are buying in bulk whenever possible.

HOW THE SCOTTISH WHOLEFOOD COLLECTIVE WORKS

The meetings are open, the place rotating between members once every six weeks. Specialist jobs such as chairperson, secretary, minute taking, etc. are shared between members. At present all the member shops are applying for membership of the Industrial Common Ownership Movement (ICOM) to define their political positions somewhat. Although the collectives are now grouped together as the Scottish Wholefood Collective, they still retain their individual autonomy.

Within the SWC, a mutually agreed levy provides a limited form of funding. Transport costs are included in this levy, ensuring that the price of supplies are equal to all the members, whether in Glasgow or Aberdeen. To ensure a continuous free exchange of knowledge and information, the SWC hopes to have worker exchanges between shops and an open book system.



THE AIMS OF THE MOVEMENT

In distributing wholefoods and other supplies, they aim to present an alternative to the supermarket and to most health food shops. To do this they try to provide food of the highest quality at non-exploitative prices, food which is organically grown where possible, and, if processed, processed in the most natural way and free from additives. They try to encourage people to work with the land: waste-land, allotments and backgardens, and to learn about wild and medicinal plants.

The long term aims are to form a British Wholefood Buying Co-op, to give equal buying power with supermarkets and an ability to buy British organically grown crops, and direct from overseas collective producers. Eventually, collective farms could be established in Britain. Decisions concerning wages are taken by the individual shop. Each shop generally has a minimum of capital, is labour intensive, and can only afford a limited wage which ranges from £15 to £24, based on personal need not skill.

There are shops, cafes, and groups in Scotland dealing with wholefoods and other community interests. In Glasgow, there is the Glasgow Wholefoods Co-op and a newly formed co-op on the southside, which buys in bulk and distributes by voluntary labour. These are often seen as being part of community or small scale political action. Generally, they are also interested in the way groups such as theirs can break up the isolation of the housewife.

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Police Complaints

The investigation of complaints is *primarily* the responsibility of the police themselves. However, if your complaint contains an allegation that a police officer committed a criminal offence (for example, that a police officer assaulted you) then the police must refer the complaint to the Procurator Fiscal. This is because in Scotland it is the Procurator Fiscal who is responsible for the investigation of all crimes and offences, and for deciding whether a prosecution should be brought.

THE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED THEN DEPENDS ON WHETHER YOUR COMPLAINT CONTAINS AN ALLEGATION THAT A POLICE OFFICER HAS COMMITTED A CRIMINAL OFFENCE.

IF IT DOES:

It may be useful to send a copy of your complaint to the local Procurator Fiscal. You can get his address from the telephone book.

The Deputy Chief Constable will order inquiries to be made and will send a report to the Procurator Fiscal who will himself instruct any further inquiries which he thinks are necessary. At this stage you will be interviewed by a police officer acting on behalf of the Deputy Chief Constable or the Procurator Fiscal. (See notes on The Interview, below.)

After consultation with the Crown Office the Procurator Fiscal will decide whether the police officer should be prosecuted. The prosecution will take place in an ordinary criminal court, and you will probably be required to attend as a witness to give evidence.

Wherever the outcome of the referral of the complaint to the Procurator Fiscal there may be further inquiries by the police to determine whether there has been a breach of police discipline. If this happens, the procedure to be followed is basically the same as if no original complaint had contained no allegations of criminal offences.

The referral of a complaint to the Procurator Fiscal does not prevent internal disciplinary proceedings being taken against a police officer at a later stage—even if no prosecution is brought.

Before you make a complaint, you may wish to seek the advice of either a solicitor, or the SCCL, or both. If you decide to proceed with a complaint on your own, the following information and advice should help you.

Preliminary—

You should proceed as soon as possible after the events giving rise to the complaint. You can make a complaint in person at any police station, but it is better to send a detailed statement of your complaint to the Chief Constable of the police force concerned. You can get his address from your local police station, Citizens' Advice Bureau or Town Hall.

Keep a copy of your letter of complaint.

Your complaint will be recorded, and passed to the Deputy Chief Constable.

IF IT DOES NOT:

The Deputy Chief Constable will appoint a senior police officer (who may be from another police force) to conduct an investigation. The investigating officer will want to interview you, unless your complaint contained an allegation of a criminal offence; in this case you will probably have been interviewed already.

The Interview

You may be asked to go to a police station, but you can ask to have the interview in your own home or at a solicitor's office.

It would be useful to have a friend or relative with you while you are being interviewed.

At the interview you will be asked to make a statement. Make sure that the final written statement reflects exactly what you want to say and that it includes all the matters you wish to complain about.

Ask for a copy of the statement to be read and given to you. Do not sign the statement if you are not satisfied with it. Give the police the names and addresses of any witnesses so that they can be interviewed as well. Make sure that your witnesses keep copies of their statements.

When the investigation is complete, a report will be prepared for the Deputy Chief Constable. This report is confidential, so you will not be allowed to see it. If the report concludes—

That the complaint was not justified

you will be informed by letter.

That the complaint was justified

the Deputy Chief Constable must decide whether to charge the police officer with a disciplinary offence.

If he considers the matter trivial he may arrange for the police officer to be given a warning. You will probably receive a written apology.

Otherwise

the police officer will be charged with a disciplinary offence, and a disciplinary hearing will be held before the Chief Constable. You will be notified that this step has been taken. You will also be notified of the hearing, as you have the right to attend. Probably you will be called as a witness.

At the hearing

You may be present only while evidence is being given, except that

You may not be present to hear witnesses who have given evidence before you do, and you may be required to leave if confidential matters are being dealt with or if you behave in a disorderly manner. You may not take part in the proceedings in any way except to give your own evidence.

If the disciplinary charge is proved you will be told of this result, but not the penalty imposed on the police officer.

SUPPORT FOR YOUR COMPLAINT

You can also follow up your official complaint by sending copies of your statement to your MP and to the SCCL. It may be unwise to make a public statement because a police officer who feels that your statement is defamatory of him may bring a civil action against you for damages. If you are in any doubt as to what to do consult the SCCL.

WHERE YOU HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH AN OFFENCE

If you wish to make a complaint about police conduct in your case, wherever possible take legal advice before making your complaint. Your case may be prejudiced by complaining at the wrong time, and if you do wait until your trial before complaining the court may not take a sympathetic view of your complaint. If you do complain about the conduct of the police in your case, investigation into the complaint will not usually take place until after your case has been dealt with in case the investigation of the complaint in any way prejudices your trial.

SUING THE POLICE

If you have been wrongly arrested, imprisoned or assaulted you may have grounds for suing the police for damages (a civil action).

Always take legal advice, and remember

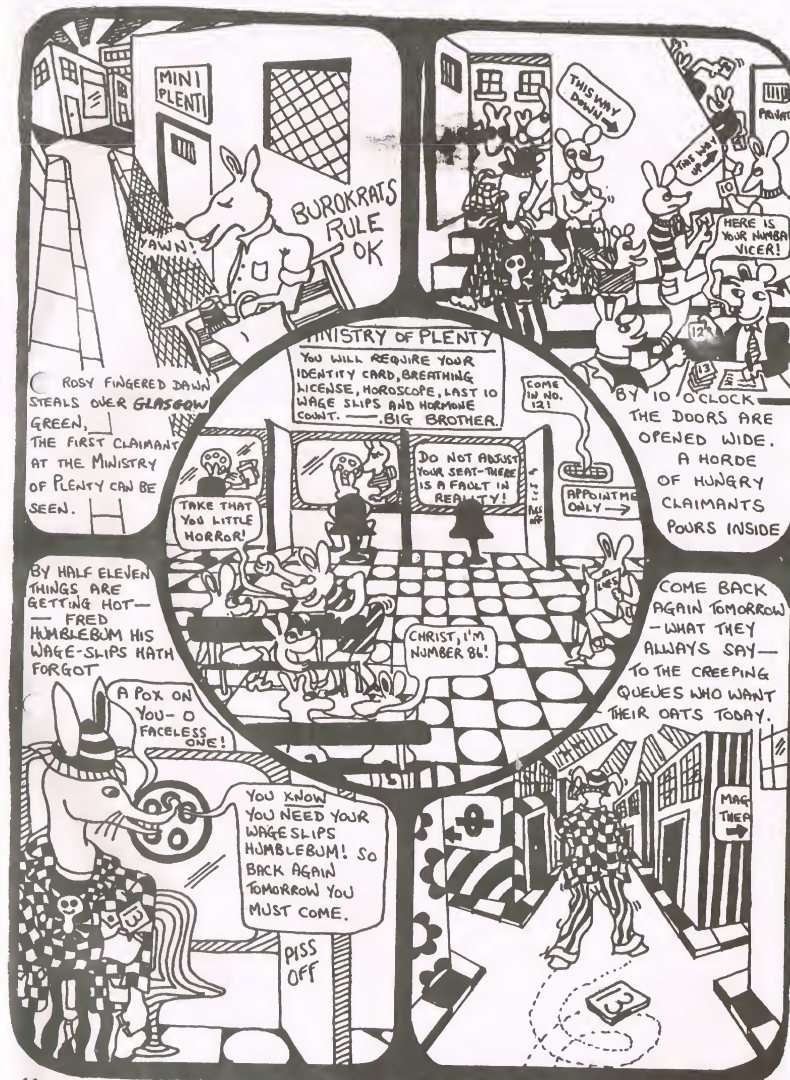
Legal aid may be available.

You do not always need to identify the police officer(s) concerned because the Chief Constable is liable for the wrongful acts of his officers.

You may bring civil proceedings instead of making a formal complaint or after making an unsuccessful complaint. But if you intend to sue the police, do not make a formal complaint in detail: merely state in writing your intention to make a complaint later and take legal advice.

FINALLY

This Fact Sheet is based on the law contained in the Police (Scotland) Act 1967 and in Regulations made under that Act. If you believe that the procedures are not being properly followed, either by the police or the Procurator Fiscal, please inform the SCCL. You may also wish to notify your MP.



From CLAIMANTS' UNION, thanks, see SOURCE info. service.





EXHIBITIONS:-

WILL MCLEAN: 'Ring net Fishing'.

JOHN SELLAMY: 'Fishings' (in the foyer).

B. & H. BECHER's: 'photo display of pit-heads from Germany'.

All finish on 4th March

MUSAK:-

PHE VALVES - 10th Feb.

CHOU PARROT (with PLAT OUT - putty rock) - 17th

SIMPLE MINDS - 24th Feb

All concerts @ 8p.m.

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7-4 Feb: 'ROMEO & JULIET' - ZEPHYRELI.

6th Feb: 'TRUE NATURE OF BERNADETTE'.

7th Feb: 'PARIS BLUES' & live band.

8-11th: 'IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER'.

13th: 'LE GRAND ROCK' - CANADA.

14th: 'SCOTTISH JAZZ ORCHESTRA'.

15-18: 'THIEVES LIKE US' - ALTMAN.

20th: 'Le TEMPS D'une CHASSE'.

21st: 'The CONNECTION' & live JAZZ with the Howard Riley Trio.

22-25th: 'LUCKY LUCIANO' - Rod Steiger.

27th: 'DIE MARQUISE VON O'.

28th - 1st March: 'UNE SOIR, UN TRAIN' and 'RENDEVOUS AT GRAY'.

FURTHER INFORMATION & BOOKINGS, TEL. 332 9999



7% of the population owns 84% of the wealth.

The 1984 Theatre company are playing the following plays:

13th Feb: Clydesbank Town Hall.

16th Feb: Glasgow Tech.

21st Feb: Glasgow Art College.

22nd Feb: Murray Hall in East.

23rd Feb: Kilbride.

13th - 18th March: Citizens.

The play 'His Masters Voice' is the tale of a young punk rocker against the media. We will review the play in next months Press.

FORUM FOLK CLUB

BRUCE HOTEL, EAST KILBRIDE

Feb 1st: JIM ENIGHT

Feb 8th: DAVE WALTERS

Feb 15th: LATE DEVELOPERS

Feb 22nd: SINGERS NIGHT

Mar 1st: TINKER WIDGIE

THE SOURCE INFORMATION SERVICE



946-3676

GRYPs youth information and advice centre is at 146 HOLLAND ST., (off Sauchiehall St.) 332 5350

FAMILY PLANNING CLINIC, contraception, birth control, sexuality, etc. 2 CLAREMONT TERRACE, Telephone 332 9144

GLASGOW WOMENS CENTRE, for Abortion Campaign, feminist lit., Womens refuge ect. 221 1477 57 MILLER ST., G1.

V.D. INFORMATION SERVICE Telephone 429 5976 (24hrs)

CLAIMANTS UNIONS: there are now six claimants unions in Glasgow, serving Partick, Possilpark, Castlehill, Maryhill, Hillhead and Broomfield. For contact address Telephone 336 4437.

QUEENS X ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND AND YOUTH CLUB needs volunteers, wood, paint, if you think you might be able to help us contact Margarita or Dave anytime at the club

SCOTTISH COUNCIL FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES: is now at 146 HOLLAND ST. 62 Telephone 332 5960

ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY: (Gartenich, etc) Peter, 035 52 2/032

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH: c/o Neil and Gillian, Stampex, 54 Carnarvon St. Telephone 332 6295.

SCI-FI FAN GROUP: meets Thursday at 8.30 in the lounge of Wintersgills, in Gt. Western Rd.

IF THE CAP FITS



YOUR HEAD is TOO THICK

by Peter, 1987

ANARCHIST COMMUNIST ASSOCIATION: organising to achieve an anarchist alternative to the authoritarian left. They meet at 43 Bilybank Gardens.

GLASGOW FREE SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION: If you are interested in finding out what free schools are all about, contact: Charlie Baird, 122 Bernerau Street, G22. Phone 336 7895

SCOTTISH IMMIGRANT LABOUR COUNCIL: affirms it's support and solidarity with the campaign against racism in Scotland and total opposition to all racist organisations such as the national front. S.I.L.C., c/o 83 Carlton Place, G5.

JAGSWAG: SEDITIONARY VITRA MAGAZINE DEDICATED TO THE METEORIC CAREER OF PARTICK THISTLE F.C. 50 John St.

ZERO, BLACK FLAG, OPEN ROAD, SOLIDARITY, LIB, EDUCATIO & FREEDOM - a many other items of ANARCHIST literature are available from: C. Baird, 122 Bernerau St., Milton, G14 622 or telephone 336 7895

SCOTTISH CAMPAIGN FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT: Telephone 442 1499.

GLASGOW WHOLEFOODS CO-OPERATIVE: ARTS CENTRE, WASHINGTON ST. (opp. ANDERSON X, bus station).

SCOTTISH LIBERTARIAN FEDERATION: unites libertarian socialists and anarchists in Scotland. Contact: C. Baird, 122 Bernerau St., Milton, G14 622.

PERRY ADIS COLUMN: for all sales and wants, swaps, personal etc.

WANTED: a pair of bill-walking boots size 8. Box number 1, G.P.P.

WANTED: second-hand radio/cassette player. Box number 2, G.P.P.

FOR SALE: (Unusual set of records, 3rd Ser. Gracious, Floyd, etc. Phone 346 3676.

FOR SALE: victorian bedpan, ceramic, very nice. No parashedlers.

WANTED:- A lift to France around the beginning of September, for two people - will share expenses. Box no 4, G.P.P.

GLASGOW PEOPLES PRESS WANT YOUR OLD GEAR FOR A JINGLE SALE GIVE US A BUZZ AT 946 3676.

ANYONE interested in a bookshop, cafe, information centre? Or do you know of suitable premises please get in touch with me: Paul - 334 8793

WE ARE a group of people trying to set up a free school. We need your help with donations of kids books, pencils, crayons, paper, etc. Box no. 3

ANY COMMUNICATION TO THE PAPER SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:- BOX G.P.P., 146 HOLLAND STREET, GLW, G2 4NS.